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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a 2-month extension of time, attached hereto, thereby extending the term for response to, and including, November 4, 2002. Applicants are filing this Amendment in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination.

Preliminary to the Continued Examination of the above-referenced application, entry of the below amendment and consideration of the remarks provided are respectfully requested.